

Request For Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal Address to: Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	Application Number	09/863,118
	Filing Date	May 22, 2001
	First Named Inventor	Manoocher Birang, et al.
	Group Art Unit	3723
	Examiner Name	Joseph J. Hail
	Attorney Docket Number	05542-149004

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

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- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- iii. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
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- b. ☐ Other _____
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- i. ☐ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) **12/30/2003 SDENB081 00000088 09863118**
- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17) **01 FC:1801 770.00 OP**
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(37 CFR §1.98(b))

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U.S. Patent Documents

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